

JERSEY CITY'S WATER SUPPLY.

NEW SPECIFICATIONS ADOPTED-THE EAST JERSEY COMPANY INCREASING ITS FACILITIES.

The Street and Water Commissioners of Jersey City discressed the water supply yesterday. A long communication was received from the East Jersey Water Company, which has the contract for a temporary supply, saying that by a number of dethe carrying capacity of its Pequannock main had been increased. The work of conructing the second main was advancing rapidly and would be completed on or before November 15 next. The company expects to complete the new main between the intake and Pompton Notch by present main and the pressure of water increased. new pipeline and invites the Jersey City officials to pect the work. When the second pipe is com-ted the company estimates that it will be able deliver 70,000,000 gallons a day at Belleville

The Street and Water Commissioners decided to continue the temporary supply at the rate of \$20 every million gallons, which is about the cost of pumping the present supply from the Passalo The Commissioners also adopted Mr. Vermeule's specifications for a permanent supply and ecided to advertise for proposals which shall be nted on May 18. The new specifications differ from those previously adopted, which called for a maximum service of 50,000,000 gallons a day. The maximum under the new is 35,000,600 gala day, but it stipulated that the bidders' watershed shall have a capacity of 50,000,000 gailons The officials expect by fixing the capacity delivery pipe at the smaller figures that will be a decrease of \$1,000,000 or more in the price asked for the plant, as the city is to have the option of purchasing the plant. It is calculated that for at least fifteen years the city will not need

that for at least fifteen years the city will not need more than \$5,000,000 gallons a day.

The specifications call for two sets of bids, one for a supply at high service, Jersey City Heights, at a head of £16 feet, to abolish pumping, and the other at a head of £16 feet, thich will require pumping at high service, but not at Belleville, the present lintake Bids or filtering are also asked. The specifications stipulate that the purification shall be effected by means of downward filtration through sand and grave filter bedse, which must be properly covered to prevent freezing. The plant shall be of a capacity of 25,000,000 gallons a day, and the water shall be pumped with a head of 169 pounds to the square inch. The standard of the water is stipulated. It is said that the Commissioners swill promptly award the contract for a permanent supply and will not seriously consider the filtration scheme unless a bid is received that is so low and favorable that they cannot ignore it.

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The prevailing opinion is that the Jersey City Company will again receive the contract. This company was defeated in the courts, which set aside the contract because the specifications were defective. The company has not entered an appeal; it has three years from the time the adverse decision was rendered in which to file its notice of appeal. If it fails to secure the contract next month, it may endeavor to the matter up in the courts.

GREEK CHURCH TROUBLES IN COURT.

THE TRUSTEES APPEAL TO THE COURT OF CHAN-CERY TO KEEP FATHER HRUSHKA OUT.

dispute between the Rev. Gregory Hrushks officers of the Greek Catholic Church of St Peter and St. Paul, of Jersey City, is now before he Court of Chancery. The society was organized in 1890, and is under the jurisdiction of the Bishop of the Greek Catholic Church, who is in Austria. When the church was built, a mortgage for \$3,500 was given to Mina Silkowsky. The priest, the Rev. Gregory Hrushka, was arrested two months ago on the charge of manufacturing contraband cigars. until he had proved his innocence in the United States District Court. They engaged the Rev John Ardan as priest. The trustees were in posession two weeks. Father Hrushka through Frank omers, to whom the mortgage had been assigned by Mrs. Silkowsky, seized the church a month ago nd since then the services have been conducted by Hrushka. The trustees had tendered payment of the £000 due on the mortgage, but counsel for Hrushka has refused to accept it. The trustees the appealed to the Court of Chancery. The case was called yesterday, but was adjourned for one week.

## HER 107TH BIRTHDAY.

AGREAT CELEBRATION AT THE HOME OF "AUNT" HANNAH CHARD.

Vineland, April 20 (Special).-Farmers with their and counties arrived at Ferrel, Gloucester County, carly this morning to celebrate the 107th birthday of Mrs. Hannah Chard, at the home of her son Joel. Five generations of the Chard family were present, Five generations of the Chard family were present, ranging from "Aunt" Hannah to the babe in arms. "Aunt" Hannah greeted each friend with a smile and a shake of the hand. The old lady read a chapter in her Blibe before the big tables were spread. After dinner she filled her clay pipe and entertained her visitors with reminiscences. Many of the men, on their departure, dropped a silver piece in the old lade"s apron, telling her to spend h for tobacco and other comforts.

TERRIBLE SELF-INFLICTED WOUNDS.

A VETERAN CUTS HIS THROAT SO HE CANNOT SPEAK, BUT STILL LIVES.

Matawan April 20 (Special).-Captain Benjamin P Smith was found by an oysterman at Keyport this meming lying in a pool of blood in the bottom of the oyster scow. He had cut his throat from ear to with a razor but he had cut too high to sever trom which he sold groceries to the boatmen the was carried thither and placed in bed. Hot and was carried thither and placed in bed. Hotwas lettles were applied to his wounds, but he
probe one and attempted to beat out his brains.

It can not speak, but made gestures indicating
the wanted something to enable him to end his
life is still living, and breathes through an
arilated tube thrust in the thront under the chin.
The attending physician says Smith cannot live
many hours. Smith has suffered from catarrh of
the stomach, and it is thought that this caused him
to attempt to take his life. He is well known at
apport and highly respected. He is an old Grand
army man, and a member of the J. G. Schakelton
Post. He has two sons and a daughter.

AMATEUR THEATRICALS AT UNION HILL. The Dramaric Club of the Paulist Parish in Pifty-ninth-st., New-York, will present the drama "Shamrock and Rose" in St. Augustine's Hall, Union Hill, N. J., on Wednesday evening of this week for the benefit of St. Augustine's Church, of which the Rev. A. M. Brady is pastor. The play will be produced under the direction of Henry Lincoln Winter, who was formerly secretary and stage manager for Dion Boucleault. J. J. Arneman

stage manager for Dion Boucicault. J. J. Arneman is director and John J. McKinney stage manager. In the last act Frank Waish, the clog dancer, will appear. The cast of characters follows:

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FOR MAYOR OF MORRISTOWN.

stown, April 20 (Special).-Eugene A. Carrell

sominated for Mayor by the Republicans this The other candidates for the nomination Dr. Phanet C. Barker and John E. Taylor. The formal ballot resulted: Carrell, 13: Barker, 7: c. l. The nomination was made unanimous.

NO CAUSE FOR ALARM. The Cleveland Plaindealer. There is a physician in Cieveland who is pretty use to stutter when under the stress of excitations. Some time ago he had occasion to promonally officiate on an interesting occasion, and is total infirmity was the cause of a funny mis-

shension.

husband and prospective father, who, by the hard set his heart on a son and heir, was sound pacing the library, when his doctor en-

octor," cries the husband, forcing a

began the doctor.

"plets! Great Caesar!"

"u-qu-" stammered the doctor.

duplets! Holy smoke!"

o, no, cries the doctor. "Qu-qu-juffs the

ary. Tr-tr-tr-try and ta-take it ph-philoleally. It's just a girl."

BTILL A GOOD RISE. nerville Journal.

NEW-JERSEY PATRIOTS.

THE BATTLE OF LEXINGTON CELE. BRATED IN NEWARK.

SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION LISTEN TO ELOQUENT ADDRESSES BY JOHN WHITE-HEAD, GENERAL HORACE POR-

> TER AND THE REV. DR. HENRY BAKER.

The New-Jersey Society of the Sons of th American Revolution celebrated in the historic First Presbyterian Church, in Broad-st., New ark, last night the 121st anniversary of the battle of Lexington. Owing to the heat, the



GENERAL HORACE PORTER.

audience was far from being as large as was expected, but it was sufficient to fill the pews in the body of the church, and yet leave enough to occupy the seats in the galleries. Besides the Sons of the American Revolution, there were delegations from all the patriotic societies of the city, including the Daughters of the American Revolution, the Grand Army of the Republic and the Sons of Veterans.

The meeting was opened by Walter S. Nichols, the president of the Board of Trustees of the church, who said that it was particularly fitting that such a meeting should be held in a church that had stood for over a hundred years as the sentinel of liberty for the freemen of New-



THE REV. DR. HENRY BAKER.

ark. He then introduced John Whitehead, the president of the New-Jersey Society of the Sons of the American Revolution. Mr. Whitehead

we meet to-night with reverent hearts to pay our respects to the men of Massachusetts who initiated the struggle which was to result in the liberty of the thirteen colonies. Though we honor the memory of the men of Massachusetts, we must not forget that we stand on New-Jersey soil. While we have no desire to take away any of the laurels of the Massachusetts men, I am compelled to remind you that we have a like claim to the honor of being the originators of the Revalution. It is only a matter of history, but it is worth while to remember that if the Boston men had a tea party, we had one, too. It was prior to the other, in fact, in 1774, that forty Jerseymen, disguised as Indians, took a cargo of tea from a cellar in Greenwich and destroyed it in a bonfire on the common. The leader of that tea party was Ebenezer Elmer, who afterward became prominent in the war. Therefore, I say we claim equal credit with the Massachusetts men as initiators of the war which resulted in the freedom we now enjoy. But I am not here to make an address, it is my province and my pleasure to introduce to you General Horace Porter, of New-York, a man who has gained not only honor on the battlefield but in civile pursuits, as well. well.

General Porter, in opening, said that when he was invited to address the meeting in Newark he felt like an Oklahoma "boomer"-he just had to get there. He felt happy at meeting the members of the New-Jersey Society, as he al-ways had respected Jerseymen as the sons of the most patriotic State in the Union, the battle ground of the Republic, the place where Washington saw his darkest days and his greatest triumphs. After a few other words complinentary to his audience he said in part:

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The question is, How long will this Government last? Why put a limit on the life of this Government? Pessimists say that history repeats itself. No greater fallacy was ever expressed. No two wars ever started from the same cause; no two panics came from the ancient republics which those pessimists use as preceients. We have, like them, a federal government, but we leave to each state the right to settle its own affairs. In no part of the country can one word be spoken that cannot be understood in all parts. There was only one menace to our Government; that was human slavery, but now, thank God, that is over.

There is only one thing that can affect our Government and that is a lack of patriotism. Every year we have multitudes of people from all parts of Europe dropped on our shores. It is our duty to go forth and tell these people of the battles which our forefathers have fought—not for any potentate—but for humanity. It is the duty of the members of these great patriotic societies to go among these people and inculcate in them a love of the American flag and thus preserve the principles of flerty for which our patriotic ancestors laid down their lives. It is our duty to make our lives exponents of our thoughts and when this is done by all American clizens the menace will have been forever eliminated.

After a patriotic song by a double quartet tizens tinated.

After a patriotic song by a double quartet and a solo by Miss Lillian Pierson, "Viva America, Land of the Free," President White head introduced the Rev. Dr. Henry Baker, with a few words of praise for the fighting parsons of the Revolution. Dr. Baker, who is a general favorite at all gatherings in Newark, and whose eloquence is of the best in the State, was greeted with warm applause. In the course of his speech

he said:

As Lexington and Concord were the dawn, so was Gettysburg the high noon of our National day. We have spoken of Lexington and Concord. One April morning 121 years ago a rattling rider went over the roads of Massachuseits, arousing the farmers, and, these taking their muskets, opened one of the grandest dramas ever witnessed. But what did these men fight for? As an old veteran of these fights said, "They always had been free and always meant to remain so." It was, then, without any question, a war for an idea. It was not for or by one class, but by and for the people. It was the people who, meditating over their wrongs, took up the strife. It was their fight. It was a war for the people. On the people rest the fates of the Concords and Lexingtons of the future.

There are, I believe, Concords and Lexingtons coming, when men will have to let the cows go on the roads and take, not, perhaps, to their muskets, but to their ballots, to defend the principles of the minutemen of the Concord and Lexington of the past, I suppose the new woman is coming. Perhaps she is nearly here: it may be that the cradles of the future may be rocked by machinery. Before she future may be rocked by machinery. Before

In store.

After the choir sang "The Star-spangled Banner," the members of the society were entertained at a luncheon in the church parlors by the Daughters of the American Revolution. Lincoln Post, G. A. R., attended the exercises in a body. in a body.

BUILDING WRECKED BY AN EXPLOSION. Lambertville, April 20 (Special).-A steam boller attached to a gasoline engine, in Stockton's ice cream manufactory, exploded this morning, wrecking the building and damaging the machinery and adjacent buildings. Mr. Stockton and an assistant had just gone out of the building when the explosion occurred, and they escaped injury. The report was heard all over the city, and much excitement prevailed until it was learned that no one was injured.

A STARTLING DISCOVERY MADE ON OPEN-ING A TOMB.

THE BODY OF A WELL-KNOWN CITIZEN TAKEN-OTHER THEFTS ARE FEARED AND AN IN-VESTIGATION IS BEING MADE-MED-

ICAL STUDENTS SUSPECTED. Paterson, April 20 (Special).-Another crowning outrage to the series of crimes in this city, beginning with the murder of Miss Mary Sullivan, has come to light. It has been discovered

that ghouls have been at work in the Presbyterian burying-ground on Sandy Hill, and the body of at least one well-known citizen has been

Several years ago the mother of William Rogers, principal of Public School No. 14, at Haledon, died, and was buried in an underground vault in the Methodist burying-ground in Parkave. In July last William Rogers, his father, died, and as it was unsafe to open the tomb in the warm weather the body was temporarily interred in a plot in the Presbyterian cemetery just across the way. On Saturday it was decided to disinter the body and lay the husband and wife side by side in the tomb. The grave was opened in the presence of relatives, and the son and all were horrified to find the body missing, nothing but a broken box and the silver name-plate and sidepieces of the coffin remaining in the grave. It was evident that the thieves had been careful to remove every trace of their work, the

The police believe that the outrage was the work of young medical students or their agents. The discovery has created a decided sersation, and the owners of plots in the cemetery are proceeding quietly to institute an investigation, fearing the worst, yet anxious to know the truth. It is feared that the "body snatchers" have been at work for years, and the cleverness with which their movements were concealed in this case has aroused widespread apprehen-

mound being carefully banked up so that sus-

picion could not be aroused.

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of the Sandy Hill cemeteries.

These burying-grounds are the oldest in the
city, and of late years have been sadly neglected.
Recently the Sandy Hill Burial Association has
renewed a semblance of order, replacing fallen
tembetones and clearing away briers and weeds.
Watchmen have also been employed, and caretakers appointed. The grewsome discovery that
grave-robbers have been at work despite all
these precautions has startled the city.

FREE SILVER AND FREE TRADE.

MR. FOWLER SAYS THEY WILL BE THE HEAD AND FOOT STONES OF THE DEMO-CRATIC GRAVE.

Washington, April 29 (Special).-Representative Fower said to-day to a Tribune correspondent: "Free silver and free trade will be the head and foot stones of the Democratic party."

The Commerce Committee of the Senate favorably reported to-day Senator Sewell's bill relating to There was no amendliens for freight charges. ment. The bill has already been printed at length in The Tribune. The same committee reported an amendment to the Sundry Civil Appropriation 500 for Overfals Lighthouse, mouth of Delaware River, N. J. It provides for a first-class yeasel complete. first-class vessel complete.
State Senator Foster M. Voorhees and ex-Speaker
Joseph M. Cross, both of Union County, are at the
Arlington.

NINETEEN SALOONKEEPERS ARRAIGNED.

THE JERSEY CITY POLICE WILL ENFORCE THE LAW IF THE GRAND JURY BACKS THEM UP.

Nineteen saloonkeepers and bartenders, arrested for violating the Sunday law, were arraigned in the police courts in Jersey City yesterday. They gave ball for examination to-morrow night. Chief of Police Murphy said yesterday that the law will be rigidly enforced every Sunday if the police are sustained in their efforts by the Grand Jury indicting

the offenders.

Many saloonkeepers are raising the absurd cry that they are being persecuted by the Republican Police Commissioners because the city gave a Democratic majority last Tuesday. The movement against them was inaugurated by Prosecutor Winfield, a Democrat, before the election was held, and the police moved for the reason that they did not desire to be criticised and censured by the court for their inaction.

HE THINKS HE IS "KING OF HELL."

AN INSANE MAN PEPPERS HIS NEIGHBORS' HOUSES WITH FINE BURDSHOT.

New-Brunswick, April 20 (Special).-Henry Lake, with fine birdshot, proceeded to pepper the windows of his neighbors' houses. Lake has recently been of his neighbors' houses. Lake has recently bee an inmate of the Trenton Insane Asylum, and thas several delusions, one of which is that he "King of Hell' and appointed to bring about the destruction of the world. One day last week it gathered an immense amount of grass and ignite it, burning over acres of grain and meadow land He was finally made drunk by several men, and dezed all day Friday and Saturday. Sunday morning he awoke in bad humor, and taking his gun, if fired recklessly, though he hurt nobody. He will taken to the asylum.

TWO BIG FOREST FIRES RAGING.

PEOPLE IN THE VICINITY OF NEW-BRUNSWICK AND EGG HARBOR CITY FIGHTING THE FLAMES.

Egg Harbor City, April 20 (Special).- The immens forest fire which has been raging with unabated fury for the last three days in the vicinity of Port Re-public, made great headway to-day, and consumed several hundred more acres of valuable timber land in Galloway Township. Hundreds of excited farmers turned out as usual this morning to fight and check, if possible, the flames, which have endangered

more than a dozen houses.

The sky had been brightly illuminated all night The sky had been brightly illuminated all night, and the flames could be seen distinctly for miles. It is now believed that the fire will be under control by to-morrow, as several "back fires" were made this afternoon, which will prevent the flames from making any great headway. No buildings from making any great headway. No buildings were destroyed to-day, and much credit is due the many farmers who turned out en masse and bravely fought the devouring flames for three successive days and nights to protect their homes.

The fire hus thus far burned over an area of

seven square miles, and the owners of large tracts of timber land sustain a loss which aggregates a high figure. It has been learned here to-day that

of timber land sustain a loss which aggregates a high figure. It has been learned here to-day that the fire originated along the Egg Harbor River, where the meadows had been burning for some time. Late this afternoon a fresh fire arose near Pomona, about five miles south of this city, and is making considerable headway by spreading in the thick pinca of that section.

New-Brunswick, April 20 (Special)—Residents in the vicinity of what are known as the burnt woods on the road from New-Brunswick to South River had little sleep on Sunday night. About 6 o'clock in the evening the forest was discovered to be on fire. The flames spread rapidly, fed by dry sticks and underbrush, and the houses standing near the woods were in imminent danger. The inhabitants soon realized that their safety depended in fighting fire with fire. Freeholder Milton A. Edgar, Mr. Eno, proprietor of the Swan Hotel; James Kessler and others soon had all the men available in the neighborhood at work. Buck-firing in prairie style was resorted to successfully. Piles of leaves and brushwood were heaped up and touched off, the fiames being directed toward the forest. The ground was dug up in the rear and the territory for the progress of the fire limited. The fires raged all night and were still burning this morning. It is said that seventy-five acres have been burned.

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HE SHOT AT A DOG AND HIT A GIRL.

A MAD-DOG SCARE IN ELIZABETH, IN WHICH A SPECIAL POLICEMAN TAKES PART.

Elizabeth, April 29 (Special)—A supposed maddog ran at large through the Seventh Ward to-day, creating much fright among pedestrians, especially school children, as the episode happened when they were going home to dinner. Among when they were going home to dinner. Among whose who joined in the pursuit of the animal was John Mello, an Italian saloonkeeper in Third-ave, where they were going home to dinner. Among whose who joined in the pursuit of the animal was John Mello, an Italian saloonkeeper in Third-ave, which the great Hospital. The dog escaped, and is still at liberal Hospital. The dog escaped, and is still at liberation the great Hospital. The dog escaped, and is still at liberation the great Hospital. The dog escaped, and is still at liberation the great Hospital. The dog escaped, and is still at liberation the great Hospital. The dog escaped, and is still at liberation that the seast is dumb.

TT TELLS NO TALES.

From The Somerville Journal.

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GRAVE ROBBERS IN PATERSON. CIGARETTE TRUST AFFAIRS. HOBOKEN'S FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY JERSEY CITIES AND TOWNS.

TO ANNUL THE COMPANY'S CHARTER.

MR. DUKE TELLS OF THE ORGANIZATION AND HOW THE STOCK WAS APPORTIONED-HIS

FIRM RECEIVED \$7.497.000 OF STOCK The hearing of testimony in the case of John R. Miller & Co. against the American Tobacco Company, otherwise known as the Cigarette Trust, to annul its charter, was continued in the Vice-Chancellor's court in Newark yesterday. The secretary, Josiah Brown, was still on the stand. He gave evidence as to the competitors of the American

At the last hearing the secretary was asked to produce the reports of the American Tobacco Company's agents or consignees whose contracts had been cancelled. Reports in sixteen such cases were required. He produced several, but failed in a number of instances, because he could not find the reports. Those produced were read. Several reports said that the consignment contracts had been revoked, because the dealers mentioned in the reports had been found handling goods of opposition manufacturers. The witness said the company had many similar reports, but they were not all of the same tenor

Testimony was given by the witness concerning a machine bought by the American Tobacco Company for the manufacture of cigarettes. It cost 4500,000. This machine was used in New-Orleans.

There was nothing in the consignment contract, Mr. Brown said, about protecting consumers, but the result of it was that goods were sold at as low prices as before. By the establishment of the consignment business about 200 dealers fell off the list of dealers to whom the American Tobacco Company furnished eigarettes, and 100 in October, 1895. George Phillips, auditor of the National Cigarette Com pany, began issuing posters containing the words "not made by a trust," in February, 1893. They printed advertisements to the same effect on March 17. 24 and 21, 1893.

The witness identified the posters and pictures before exhibited in court. Of the large poster containings the words, "Admirals, not issued by a trust," 10,000 or 20,000 were issued. Advertisements to the same effect were printed in theatrical pro-

to the same effect were printed in theatrical programmes, beginning in Febuary, 1893.
Guy M. Langhorne, trustee, or assignee, for W. S. Carroll, of Lynchburg, Va., took the stand after the moon recess. Carroll was a manufacturer of eigarettes, who falled last April. Langhorne testified that Carroll produced, in 1891, 10,000,000; 1895, 5000,000. 1893, 10,000,000; 1894, 7000,000; 1895, 5,000,000. The territory covered was Virginia. The cause of the falling-off in business, the witness said, was that in 1892 the American Tobacco Company put on the market the "Old Dominion" brand. At first they falled to sell, but then, the American Company reduced, by a system of rebate, the price per 1,000. The result was a great and steady reduction of sales.

James B. Duke, president of the American To-bacco Company, took the stand late in the after-noon. Prior to the formation of the American To-bacco Company, Mr. Duke said, he was president of the W. Duke, Sons & Co., a corporation organized under the laws of North Carolina, and engaged in the manufacture of cigarettes. In 1883 the output of this company was about \$90,00,000 cigarettes, and it was probably the largest in the United States.

"When you divided the stock of the American Tobacco Company among the five companies that composed it did you do it on the basis of the output of each?" asked Mr. Einstein.

The question was objected to by the defence on the ground that the stock had never been divided, but that each company was bought out. Mr. Duke said the output of each was considered in fixing the price to be offered each company and that in each case a formal offer of the price casked by each company was made to the directors of the American Tobacco Company. ies B. Duke, president of the American To-Company, took the stand late in the after-

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In the distribution of the American Tobacco Company's stock W. Duke, Sons & Co., received \$1,497,-692, of which \$3,090,000 was preferred stock and \$4,497,000 common stock. This represented the value of the company's plant, brands, trademarks, stock and business.

IN THE NEW-JERSEY COURTS.

COMPLICATED SUIT AGAINST NORTH BER-GEN TOWNSHIP-VICE-CHANCELLOR STEVENS TAKES THE OATH OF OFFICE

Chancellor McGill had a busy day in the Chancery Chambers at Jersey City yesterday. One of the most complicated cases heard by him was that of Julius Goldstein against the township of North Bergen. Goldstein holds a mortgage, executed a quarter of a century ago by Morris Levinthal, who owned twelve acres of land. Levinthal did not pay the taxes, and the property was sold for arrears to the township about twenty years ago. The township bought it in for 1,000 years, subject to the mortgagee's right to redeem. The Hudson River Raticad and Terminal Company recently condemned a piece of the property, about half an acre, and was assessed \$1,400. This sum was paid into the Court Brunswick, April 20 (Special).—Henry Lake, as "Hig Hank" in Kingston, Middlesex where he lives, obtained a double-barrelled in yesterday morning, and after loading it ne birdshot, proceeded to peoper the windows neighbors' houses. Lake has recently been nate of the Trenton Insane Asylum, and the balance of the morey should be paid only on that part jaken by the railed wind in the treasury of the day of the world one day last week he el an immense amount of grass and ignited ning over acres of grain and meadow land, and shinally made drunk by several men, and a finally made drunk by several men, and a fin of Chancery, as Goldstein and the township both

There are several claimants for a marble quarry near Pompton, and many months ago action was brought to have the Court determine who is the rightful owner. The case was referred to Vice-Chancellor Van Fleet, whose death was followed by that of one of the claimants. The interested parties

chancellor Van Fleet, whose death was followed by that of one of the claimants. The interested parties appeared before the Chancellor yesterday and requested that the case be referred to one of the Vice-Chancellors. The Chancellor consented.

The sale of the plant of the New-York Frog and Switch Company, of Hoboken, to James Forsyth, by the receiver, was confirmed yesterday. The purchaser assumes the morigages and pays a sum in cash. The total amount is about \$35.00. The property has been in the hands of a receiver for a year. An order was issued yesterday, instructing John W. Heck, receiver for the Wuestner Eagle Dry Plate Company, to sell the company's plant which is at Greenville, Jersey City, at public auction. The company's liabilities amount to \$25,000, and the assets to about \$29,000.

Counsellor Crouse asked that an attachment be issued against Samuel Hall and Isaac Cortelyou for contempt in disposing of some property of the Perth Amboy Flour and Feed Company. He represented James Nash, a judgment creditor. It was contended for the accused men that the property in question did not belong to the Flour and Feed Company. The Chancellor will take testimony on that point. Vice-Chancellor Stevens has not taken the oath of office. He will find a large number of suits referred to him. Several lawyers have requested that their cases be heard by him.

ATTACKED HIS WIFE WITH AN AXE.

New-Brunswick, April 20 (Special).-Lizzie Fisher, colored woman, living in French-st., at the limits of New-Brunswick, was savagely attacked by her husband late last night. The man went home drunk and without provocation threw a smoothing iron at his wife. She retired to her room and locked the door. Fisher got an axe and followed. His wife redoor. Fisher got an axe and followed. His wife re-fused to unlock the door and he chopped it open. He rushed at her with the axe poised, and to escape her infuriated husband sne leaped through a window, screaming loudly. In failing to the ground she sprained her hip. She was protected at a neighbor's house. The man has fled from town.

THE POINT FOREVER LOST. From The Washington Post.

THE CORNERSTONE OF THE NEW BUILDING THE PRESIDENT TESTIFIES IN THE SUIT LAID BY MRS. MARTHA B. STEVENS.

The cornerstone of the new free public library building of Hoboken, in Fifth-st. and Park-ave., was laid yesterday morning with simple ceremonies in the presence of city officials and a few invited guests. In the corneratone was placed a copper box containing records of the school and library boards, the Hoboken Land and Improvement Company and the Stevens family. Mrs. Martha B. Stevens, of Castle Point, mother of Colonel E. A. Stevens, applied the mortar and formally laid the block. The Rev. Dr. George C. Houghton, rector of Trinity Church, followed with an eloquent prayer, and the

ceremonies were over. Among those present were Mayor Lawrence Fagan, Mrs. M. B. Stevens, City Treasurer James Smith, David E. Rue, superintending principal; Julius Schlatter, library trustee; Edward Russ, Arthur Seitz, Charles Hicks and Dr. Nichols, Commissioners of Public Instruction; Charles V. Darcy, clerk of Board, and Richard Stevens

The library building will have three stories and basement and a tower. Indiana limestone will be used for the basement and first floor and brick for the rest of the exterior. The ground and structure will cost \$75,000. The building will be used for an industrial school as well as for a library. Reading and reference rooms, librarian and cataloguers offices and stock rooms will be on the first floor, general reading-room and trustees' room on the second and a lecture-room on the third. The industrial school rooms will be in a wing in Park-ave, and in the basement of the main building.

Mrs. M. B. Stevens, Richard Stevens and Mrs. John Stevens gave the city \$25,000 for the free public library building on the condition that space should be set apart for industrial school purposes. The city will raise the rest of the money by issuing bonds. will cost \$75,000. The building will be used for an

IRISH POLITICAL PRISONERS.

A LARGE MEETING IN THEIR BEHALF HELD IN NEWARK.

years.

A largely attended mass-meeting was held by night in the Essex Lyceum, Newark, in aid of the Irish and Irish-American political prisoners who are now confined in English jails. The venerable Dr. Thomas Dunn English, whose voice has frequently been lifted in aid of the oppressed of all nations, presided. Seated on the stage were Father Tighe, the eloquent priest of Jersey City; James F. Egan, Dr. J. W. O'Brien and a number other sympathizers with the movement. The first speaker was James F. Egan, the delegate of the Amnesty Association of Ireland and Great Britain, and who was himself a prisoner for ten

prisoners now confined in British jails, one of them being Dr. Gallagher, of Brooklyn, who is reported to have become insane from the brutal treatment of the prison officials. The speaker described the rigors of prison life, and declared that the rescue, the prisoners are likely to die before Association expects to have these prisoners liberated in another year, but in the mean while there is an urgent need of funds to provide them with care and clothing, and, above all, to support

with care and clothing, and, above all, to support their families.

The address of Father Tighe was a fervent appeal to the audience to aid their suffering compartiots, whose love of liberty had earned for them a prison cell. Irishmen, he said, owed it to them selves to help these men, and he hoped that Newark Irishmen would do their share. He recited the brave deeds of Wolf Tone, Emmet and Mitchell, and said that these prisoners are just as much entitled to veneration as those who had lost their lives in endeavoring to obtain for Ireland a semblance of freedom. The meeting was an enthusiastic one, and each speaker received considerable applause.

A WOMAN'S PECULIAR WILL.

HER SONS, CUT OFF WITH \$1, MAY LIVE IN THE HOMESTEAD, BUT THEIR WIVES

ARE EXCLUDED.

Lyndhurst, April 20 (Special) .- The will of Mrs. Trautwein, wife of W. E. Trautwein, proprietor of the Columbia Hotel, has been probated by Surrogate Tennis A. Haring, and her two daughters get the benefit of the estate to the exclusion of the sons. Each girl gets \$2,000 in money, and one, who is crippled, receives also a house and lot. The ex-ecutor is authorized to determine the amount of the husband's income, while Eugene and Dr. Edward Trautwein, the sons, receive \$1 each. At the death of the widower the estate is to be divided between the daughters. The will provides that if the sons choose to live in the Trautwein homestead, a room shall be provided for them there by their sisters; but the sons' wives shall be excluded.

SHE DIED FROM THE SHOCK.

HER HUSBAND, STRICKEN BY APOPLEXY, AP-

PEARED TO BE DEAD.

From The St. Louis Republic.

Pins are, as the saying goes, as old as the hills. In some form or another they have been in existence ever since our first parents clothed themselves in fig leaves, which grew wild in the Garden of Eden. As a matter of fact, pins claim a very high antiquity, the earliest form being the natural thorn, which is still used to some extent by the present women of Upper Egypt. In prehistoric times pins were also made of small bones of fish and animals.

Among the remains of the lake-dwellers of Europe have been found bronze pins and bronze brooches, in which the plus form the prominent feature, many of which are highly ornamented and very beautiful. A few copper and one from pin have also been found. It is estimated that 10,000 pins have been collected at the lacustrine, station in Switzerland alone. A few of these pins have double stems, and were probably used as hairpins. Three have been found at Peschiera, which are exactly the same in form as the safety pin of the present time. Among the single-stem pins are many ingenious devices for preventing the spike from passing entirely through the cloth or other material it is used for fastening together. Many of them are so formed that they are thicker in some places than in others. A large number, both of bronze and bone, have the head formed by a loose ring passed through an eye in the pin. A few heads have been discovered, while in ancient Rome bronze pins and bone hairpins, with ornamental heads, have been discovered among relies of Pompeli.

In England the ordinary domestic pin had become in the fifteenth century an article of sufficient importance to warrant legislative notice. An act of Parliament passed into England in the latter part of the fifteenth century by Catharine Howard, Queen of Henry VIII, who received them from France.

Very good pins were made at this period of brass, but a large portion of them were made of Iron.

AN AMUSEMENT NOTE.

The new non-partisan Commission of Public In struction was organized yesterday morning. Ed-ward Russ, president of the old Board, was elected presiding officer. Charles V. Darcy, who received \$1,200 a year a clerk of the retired Board, was committee was appointed to revise the school

manual.

Manesal Kress, a Hebrew, of No. 517 Lewis-st., Union Hill, was arraigned before Recorder Shelton in that town last night on a charge of the larceny of a Jewish Bible from a Hebrew synagogue over a saloon at Palisade-ave, and Lewis-st. Kress asserts that he was hired to touch up the letters of the parchment, but was not paid for his services. He thought that he was entitled to possession of the Bible until the debt was paid, so he entered the open door of the synagogue on Saturday, took the ancient scroll and mappings from the altar and walked off with them.

It was rumored yesterday that the officials of the North Hudson County Rallway Company are preparing to make another application to the Hoboken Common Council for an ordinance granting them the right to operate electric motors within the city limits on those streets where the company now has horse-car tracks.

NEWARK.

The first step toward a recount of the ballots in the recent charter election by the Democratic Board of Works candidates, Messrs. Gray and English, was begun last Saturday afternoon. No-tices were served on Peter Ulrich and Abram Board of Works will be contested on behalf of George R. Gray and Thomas Dunn English. Sim ilar notices were served on the Prohibition and Socialist candidates. The contest will be made for Mr. Gray, but in order to comply with the legal forms, all the candidates on the Board of Works tickets are made a party to it. The contest means an application for a recount only so far as the names of Ulrich and Gray are concerned. Democrats expect large gains in the vote for Gray Democrats expect large gains in the vote for Gray in the recount. It is asserted that in a number of election districts Democratic ballots were not counted because they were found in the ballot-box outside of envelopes. The law says every ballot must be inclosed in an envelope. It is held by the Democrats that if an election officer accepts a voter's ballot without an envelope, and puts it in the box, that ballot must be counted, as the voter cannot be disfranchised because of a mistake made by an election officer.

NEW-BRUNSWICK.

A mass-meeting to express sympathy for the suffering Armenians was held in the First Methodist Church of New-Brunswick last evening. Clergymen and prominent citizens had charge of the meeting. Mayor Nicholas Williamson presided. Resolu-tions were presented by Dr. Austin Scott, president of Rutgers College, and seconded by Woodbridge Strong, Presiding Judge of the Middlesex County Courts. Addresses were made by Herant M. Kirech-fian, secretary of the Armenian Relief Associa-tion, and by Vartan Dilloyan, who escaped from the Sassoun massacre. The latter appeared in native costume.

Frank Dragon, captain of a canal-boat, died in Wells Hospital last night from lockjaw, brought on by hemorrhage in the brain.

A committee of the Board of Freeholders of Middlesex County and directors of the New-Brunswick and Cranbury Turnpike Company met yesterday morning to arrange for a price for three miles of the turnpike nearest this city. Commissioners of condemnation had awarded \$8,000 for the turnpike, from which the Freeholders appealed. The Freeholders offered \$3,000, but the turnpike company refused to consider less than \$3,500, and the negotia-tion fell through.

JERSEY CITY.

The wholesale ice dealers have arranged the schedtle of prices for the summer. The rates are: For families, 12 to 15 pounds daily, 70 cents a week; 18 to 20 pounds daily, 80 cents a week; 25 pounds and upward, 40 cents for 100 pounds; for gocers, butchers, saloons, milk and fish dealers, 30 cents for 100 pounds; restaurants, confectioners and soda fountains, 25 cents for 100 pounds.

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A trolley-car ran down a dirt cart in Montgomeryst. yesterday. The cart was capsized and the
driver. Michael Manion, thirty-five years old, of
No. 335 Palisade-ave., was buried under the wreck.
He was crushed, and his left arm was broken. The
injured man was taken to the City Hospital, and
the motorman, Benjamin Jager, twenty-seven years
old, of No. 208 Syms-ave., West Hoboken, was arrested on a charge of atroclous assault and battery.

Louis Heldeman, a painter, living at No. 145 Madison-st., New-York, was mixing benzine and varnish
yesterday afternoon while working in Brown & Co.'s
drygoods store, when the can exploded. Heideman
was burned about the hands and face, but was
able to go home. The flames were extinguished before much damage had been done.

THE ORANGES. Mrs. Margaret Brown, a woman over eightyeven years old, lies at her home in Valley Road, West Orange, in a critical condition, from the effects of a fall down stairs on Sunday night. Mrs. Brown lives with her daughter, Mrs. William J. Wood, and she is unusually active and vigorous for a person of her age. Last night she started for

BELLEVILLE. Richard Lester, the six-year-old son of William Richard Lester, the six-year-old son of William Lester, of Mill-st., narrowly escaped death by drowning yesterday morning. The little fellow was playing on the bank of the Passaic River, when his foot slipped and he fell into the water, which is quite deep at this point. The current is affected by the force of Second River, which empties a short distance below, causing eddies and currents that would perplex even a good swimmer. ties a short distance below, causing eddies and cur-rents that would perplex even a good swimmer. The child could not swim or help himself, and he was being rapidly swept downstream when his brother. John, who is only fourteen years old, saw his plight and ran to help him. Hastily throwing off part of his clothing, he bravely plunged inte the river, and, overtaking his brother, he grasped his clothing and struggled to shore with the already half-choked child. Neither of the children is ap-parently the worse for their impromptu baths.

REPORTING SPEECHES IN CONGRESS.

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"Matter? It's a confounded outrage. Had my
evercoat stolen right from this room."
The Judge smiled a little.
"Overcoat, ch?" he said. "Pah, that's nothing!
Whole suits are lost here every tay."

From The Detroit Tribune.

We hear that Senator Tillman is regularly tearing mask a day off Wall Street, with a matines each Saturday.